

# CALSHOT PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## NEWSLETTER

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### Covid-19 Updates

I want to thank parents for your continued support as we get used to the different routines, the pupils have adjusted superbly to the new procedures and are a credit to you all. I want to remind a few parents that social distancing is essential, parents must remain 2 metres away from staff members and other parents at all times. We ask that any parent or visitor coming in to school wears face protection (including coming in to the front office), I understand that it is difficult but Covid-19 is highly contagious and if a member of staff contracts it the consequences could be considerable. Over the last week I have noted how many children are arriving later than their allocated time and are being left at the front office, this means pupils are having to break bubbles to get to class, this is putting all our children at risk. Please arrive on time!

We have had a lot of children not coming into school due to various illnesses including coughs and colds. If we send a child home as they have any Covid-19 symptoms such as continuous dry cough, high temperature or loss of taste or smell we will ask that they stay home for 10 days. If that child has a sibling in school they and the rest of the family must isolate for 14 days, as symptoms can take several days to appear. However we urge that you get a test done as quickly as possible (I know this has become increasingly difficult nationally). If you get a negative test result back you can return to school when fit and well. However if you get a positive result back school needs to be informed as quickly as possible so I can notify other parents and Public Health England. To order or book a test you need to go to:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/>

### Reception & Nursery Starters

It has been wonderful meeting all the new pupils as they start school for the very first time. It was wonderful meeting them and their parents on this very important day, seeing them start their journey at Calshot. They will love their time here and we welcome them with open arms (albeit from a safe distance at the moment). I want to thank all of the Early Years team for organising and making their first days so special.

## School Dinners

You should have had an email that explains how to set up a personalised account with Dolce during the summer, where you can go on and pre-book the meal of your choice for your child. You can get more information from [www.dolce.co.uk](http://www.dolce.co.uk) and if you have a problem setting up an account you can phone 01942 707709

## Water Bottles

Please make sure children bring in their own labelled water bottle each day. It's lovely that the sun is still shining and the children are outside as much as possible so need a refreshing drink when possible.

## School Fund

A quick reminder that we do collect school fund which is typically 50p a week. We appreciate any funds that come in as they do help provide the extra things our children can benefit from, please if possible can pupils start bringing in the fund as of next week. Every little helps, especially now.

## Dates

Normally I send out dates for the term but as we are restricted on events and assemblies for the foreseeable future I wanted to let you know that as soon as we are able to I will inform you when class assemblies, workshops, trips, parents' evenings, discos e.t.c. can start taking place. The limited dates for this term are:

**1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> September- Teacher Days**

**3<sup>rd</sup> September- Children Start Back**

**9<sup>th</sup> October- World Mental Health Day**

**19<sup>th</sup> October- Black History Day**

**26<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> October- Half Term**

**2<sup>nd</sup> November - Children Start back**

**13<sup>th</sup> November- Children In Need Day**

**15<sup>th</sup> December- Christmas Class Parties**

**18<sup>th</sup> December- Christmas Jumper Day**

**21<sup>st</sup> December - 1<sup>st</sup> January- Christmas Holiday**

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